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## HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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### **Police Arrest Three at Columbia Fireworks**

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Howard County Police call the event a success with only three arrests during the annual Fireworks Display at Columbia's Lakefront. Howard Demetrius Green, 19 was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct, and Justin John Paul Evans, 21 was arrested on an outstanding warrant. A male juvenile was also arrested and charged with assault after throwing a firecracker into a crowd.

Over 100 officers provided security and traffic direction during the evening to several thousand people attending. Parking lots surrounding the area were full by the start of the fireworks which lasted about 25 minutes and ended around 10pm. It took police till about 11pm to clear traffic out of the Columbia Mall and Lakefront area.

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